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An Act to validate irregularities in the public notification of applications to the Land Division of the High Court

The Parliament of the Cook Islands enacts as follows—

(26 November 2021)

- 1 **Title**
This Act is the Judicature (Validation of Notification of Land Division Applications) Act 2021.
- 2 **Commencement**
This Act comes into force on the day after the date that it is assented to by the Queen's Representative.
- 3 **Act binds the Crown**
This Act binds the Crown.
- 4 **Interpretation**
In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—
Amendment Rules means the Civil Procedure (Notification of Land Division Applications) Amendment Rules 2021
Code means the Code of Civil Procedure of the High Court 1981 made under section 102 of the Judicature Act 1980-81
Court means the High Court exercising the jurisdiction of the Land Division of that Court, as provided by Articles 48(2) to (4) of the Constitution and section 18 of the Judicature Act 1980-81.

5 Application

This Act applies to applications to the Court that, before the commencement of the Amendment Rules, were—

- (a) set down for hearing under rule 332(1) of the Code; and
- (b) notified, or required to be notified, under rule 332(3) of the Code.

6 Validation of notification

An application must not be treated as invalid only because it was not notified in accordance with rule 332(3) of the Code (as that subclause read before the commencement of the Amendment Rules).

This Act is administered by the Ministry of Justice.

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